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Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/768,881 for  
DISTRIBUTED SS7 MESSAGE ROUTING GATEWAY  
Our File No. 1322/58

Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. A Response to Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pages);
2. Petition for a 1-Month Extension of Time (1 page);
3. Fee Transmittal (1 page), in duplicate;
4. An executed Declaration (4 pages);
5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595) (1 page);
6. An executed Assignment (5 pages);
7. A check in the amount of \$280.00;
8. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pages);

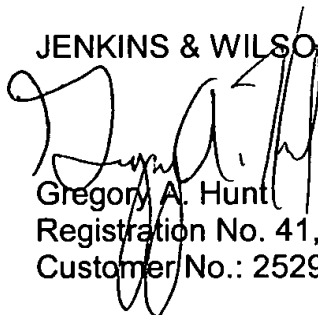
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9. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to our offices with the U.S. Patent and Trademark filing stamp thereon.

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Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Tinsley et al.

Group Art Unit: 2661

Serial No.: 09/768,881

Examiner: Not Assigned

Filed: January 24, 2001

Docket No.: 1322/58

For: DISTRIBUTED SS7 MESSAGE ROUTING GATEWAY

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Sir:

Pursuant to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted" dated March 5, 2001, and having a period for response set to expire on May 5, 2001, please find enclosed the following:

1. An original executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application;
2. An original executed Assignment and related Recordation Form Cover Sheet for the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application; and
3. A check in the amount of \$280.00 (\$130.00 representing the Missing Parts surcharge fee, \$40.00 representing the Assignment recordation fee, and \$110.00 representing the 1-Month Extension of Time fee).

A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts is being filed simultaneously.

Although a check is being submitted herewith, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayments in connection with the filing of this Response to Deposit Account No. 50-0426.

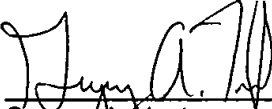
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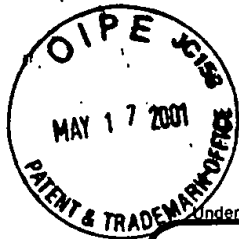
  
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## Complete if Known

Application Number	09/768,881
Filing Date	January 24, 2001
First Named Inventor	Tinsley, Robert J.
Examiner Name	Not Assigned
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Attorney Docket No.	1322/58

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- ☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17  
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Independent Claims  - 3\*\* =  X  =   
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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